

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Remarks

1. This action is in response to the communication filed on 10/13/10.
2. Claims 2, 14 and 18 are pending in this action.
3. Claims 1, 3-13, 15-17 and 19-24 are pending in this action.
4. Claims 1, 3-13, 15-17 and 19-24 are allowed.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Stan Tso (Reg. NO. 64500 on 10/21/10).

The application has been amended as follows:

Please amend the claims as shown below:

In claims 4-7, on respectively line 2, change "receive a probe" into ---- receive the probe

In claim 9, on line 3, change "an STA" into ---- the STA ---

In claim 10, on line 2, change "of a probe" into --- of the probe ----

In claim 13, on line 16, change "said the mobile station" into ---- the mobile station ----

In claim 17, on line 4, change "a particular second station]" into ---- a particular second station ----

In claim 20, on line 1, change "if a probe" into --- if the probe ----

In claim 21, on line 2, change "receive a probe" into ---- receive the probe ----

In claim 21 on line 5, change "broadcasting a probe" into --- broadcasting the probe ----

In claim 22, on line 2, change "receive a probe" into ---- receive the probe ----

In claim 23, on line 1, change "local network" into ---- local area network ----

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 3-13, 15-17 and 19-24 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the allowance is based on applicant's argument presented in the REMARKS section of the instant response..

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Meless N. Zewdu whose telephone number is (571) 272-7873. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 am to 5:00 pm..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chang Kent can be reached on (571) 272-7667. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Any inquiry of a general nature relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-2600.

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